

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Kazuyuki TAKIZAWA

Title: ***CONVENIENT DETECTION METHOD, DETECTION APPARATUS AND  
DETECTION KIT***

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Examiner: Bao Thuy L. Nguyen

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to an Office Action mailed July 11, 2008, Applicant hereby elects Group III, claims 26-30, drawn to a flow-through assay apparatus for prosecution on the merits. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claim.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required regarding this application under 37 CFR §§ 1.16-1.17, and to credit any

overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment accompany this response, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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